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Dear Cherif,

On behalf of my fellow judges who participated in the working visit to the International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences (ISISC) in Siracusa last week, I would like to once again extend our sincere appreciation to you for your personal engagement in planning the visit and your tremendous hospitality. The seminar was most productive and provided us with an important opportunity to elaborate on matters relevant to victim participation in proceedings and reparation. We also very much enjoyed the boat trip and wonderful dinner you organised. I would be grateful if you could extend our appreciation to your colleagues at the ISISC for their assistance in organising the seminar.

I also wanted to thank you for giving me a copy of your article *Where is the ICC Heading?* which I read with great interest.

With best regards,

Philippe Kirsch

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THE PRESIDENT

The Hague, 1 July 2005

Dear Cherif,

On behalf of the judges who participated in the working visit to the International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences (ISISC) in Siracusa last week, I wanted to extend our sincere appreciation for your hospitality in hosting the event. The ISISC provided an ideal environment for the judges to discuss legal issues of relevance to our work, in a setting away from the Court. We are also grateful to the distinguished speakers for sharing with us their expertise and stimulating an interesting exchange of ideas.

I would also thank you for the generosity shown to the judges and the special consideration accorded to spouses. It made our stay in Siracusa a pleasant and unforgettable experience. Finally, I would add that the organisation of the study visit was outstanding. Please forward our appreciation to the staff of the ISISC that worked such long hours to make the study visit of the ICC judges a success.

With best regards,



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